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E. and I went this morning to the antiques exposition which has just opened at the Louvre. There were many fine specimen pieces there, a number of which had been sent over by English dealers. The quality was [redacted] high, the quantity low, and it was well worth an inspection. I walked home, the only exercise I have had for a long time.

Frisk and Doc Matthews, [redacted]-Bertha and Harold Linder lunched with us.

Late in the afternoon we went down to Versailles. While there, news came that the Laniel Government had lost out on its vote of confidence, but not by an absolute majority, the adverse ballots lacking eight in that connection. The resulting crisis will be difficult to settle. In connection with this vote, I had a lot of telephone calls during the evening, but none [redacted] gave any reason to be optimistic over a satisfactory solution.

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